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According to the Notice of Allowability, formal drawing drawings (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted. Enclosed are six (6) sheets of formal drawings (Figures 1-5) for the above-identified patent application.

This Transmittal of Formal Drawings is being concurrently filed with the enclosed PART B - FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL (including payment of the issue fee and publication fee) in connection with the above-identified patent application. The filing of this Transmittal is considered timely.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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